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A NATIVE BOY WRITER in H.M.
Vicualing Yard.
Apply between 10 and 11 a.m., to the
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H.M. VICUALING YARD.
Hongkong, September 16, 1902. 1899

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BY A RESPECTABLE YOUNG MAN,
BOARDING AND LODGING in a healthy
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Apply to
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A EXPERIENCED FOREMAN for a
Government Timber Mill. Must be
thoroughly acquainted with the erection
and management of Timber-cutting Ma-
chinery. Forward copies of recent testimo-
nials, and state salary required,
to Director of Public Works,
SARAWAK.
Hongkong, February 3, 1902. 256

WANTED.

CHINESE CLERK. Must know
Elementary Bookkeeping.
Apply,
THE ROBINSON PIANO CO., LD.
Hongkong, September 8, 1902. 1810

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EUROPEAN CLERK WANTED for
E Works, Correspondence &c. Com-
mencing Salary \$150 to \$200 per month,
also Chinese Clerk with Office experience.
Apply
THE ROBINSON PIANO CO., LD.
Hongkong, September 11, 1902. 1897

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FURNISHED HOUSE WANTED
Hill District Preference.
Apply
THE HONGKONG LAND INVE-
STMENT AND AGENCY CO., LD.
Hongkong, September 15, 1902. 1892

HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB.
THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
will be held in the Pavilion on TUES-
DAY, 23rd Sept., 1902, at 5.15 p.m.
A. G. WARD,
Hon. Secretary
Hongkong, September 15, 1902. 1897

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NOTICE.

THE undersigned have been author-
ized by us to sign Harry Wickings
& Co., from this date.
Me GEORGE HARRY DANN.
Me WALTER CLEMENT DREW.
Me JOHN OWEN HUGHES.

HARRY WICKINGS & Co.,
Hongkong, September 15, 1902. 1899

NOTICE.

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE CO.,
LIMITED.

DURING my temporary absence from
the Colony, Mr. F. S. FULCHER
will act as SECRETARY.

By order of the Board.

W. H. RAY,
Secretary.

Hongkong, September 16, 1902. 1898

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED

NOTICE.

FROM this date and during the Tem-
porary Absence of the undersigned,
Mr. C. MEMBERTON will act as SECRE-
TARY of the Company.

By Order of the Board,

GEO. L. TOMLIN,
Secretary.

Hongkong, September 16, 1902. 1896

NOTICE.

MY FATHER ESTABLISHED THE FIRM
WING SHING LOONG, doing
Business in FINE GOLD-LEAVES for up-
wards of Forty Years. We employed TANG
KUN, alias 'THE BULL,' to assist in manag-
ing the Business since the Death of my
father, and Discharged him lately. He
was only an employee, and was NOT a
PARTNER or SHAREHOLDER. The Business
of WING SHING LOONG is now still in our
possession, and TANG KUN, alias 'THE
BULL,' is and was NOT one of our
Partners.

WING SHING LOONG,
CHEUNG KWON PAK,
No. 20, Bonham Street, E.
Hongkong, September 16, 1902. 1891

THE VICTORIA DISPENSARY.

NOTICE is hereby given that Mr.
EDWARD J. ANGLY has CEASED
to be connected with our business.

Mr. SOUTHERN KENT has been AP-
POINTED our REPRESENTATIVE for the HAR-
BOUR and SHIPPING BUSINESS and all orders
committed to his charge will receive im-
mediate attention.

THE VICTORIA DISPENSARY,
J. R. CAPELL,
Manager.

Hongkong, August 4, 1902. 1621

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148, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL,
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THIS HOTEL has been re-built in 1902,
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Comfort and Facility for Monthly
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TELEGRAMS.

[CHINA MAIL SPECIAL SERVICE.]

THE HUNAN TRAGEDY.

REPORT OF INVESTIGATORS.

Moderation Recommended in Indemnity Claims.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

SHANGHAI, Sept. 17, 9.47 a.m.

The Committee of Investigation sent to enquire into the circumstances attending the murder of Messrs Bruce and Lewis has returned from Chenchou and Changsha. It reports that the bodies of the murdered missionaries have been properly buried, the mission house repaired, and that the local authorities are guiltyless in the matter.

The Governor of the Province has despatched Tsai Taotai to Hankow to negotiate with the British Consul-General there with regard to the indemnity to be paid. The missionaries at Changsha recommend moderation.

THE BOXER MOVEMENT.

ALARMING NEWS FROM SZECHUAN.

First Reports Contradicted.

The N.C. Daily News publishes alarming news regarding the spread of the Boxer movement in the Province of Szechuan. Reports from French sources, on the other hand, characterise the news as exaggerated. The French Consul-General, M. Bons d'Anty, remains at Chengtu-fu.

[REUTERS SERVICES.]

AN AMBASSADOR RE-CALLED.

LONDON, September 15th, 1902.

The French Ambassador to Russia, Comte de Montebello, has returned to Paris. At an interview, he confirmed the statement that he had been re-called against his will.

DUBLIN AND THE CRIMES ACT.

A meeting of 20,000 people held in Phoenix Park, Dublin, and presided over by the Lord Mayor, has denounced the proclamation of the Crimes Act in that city. Messrs. Dillon and O'Brien made violent speeches against the Government.

THE TSAR AND THE PEASANT TROUBLES.

A deputation of peasants from six Provincial Governments of Southern Russia assembled at Kursk by command of the Tsar. His Majesty, in addressing them, referred to the peasant troubles in the spring of the year, and said that such disturbances would not be allowed in future. He exhorted them to honest labour and thrift, re-calling his father's time and coronation. He advised them to listen to their local nobility, and not believe in nonsensical rumours.

TANJONG PAGAR DOCK CO., LIMITED.

The Directors' Report for the meeting to be held to-day is:—
Your Directors beg to submit a statement of accounts duly audited, for the half-year ended June 30, 1902.

The net amount for the half-year available for the distribution, after setting off \$20,000, standing as an Asset under the name of Bon-Accord Dock, and including the sum of \$201,308.25 brought forward from last account, is \$751,000.

The Directors recommend the following disposition:—
\$150,000 to be added to reserve for Wharf Extensions and Development, thus raising this special fund to \$750,000.

\$15,000 to be added to the Insurance Fund of Tugs, Barges, Lighters, Launches, etc.
\$20,000 to Reserve for Frye River Dock improvements and developments.

\$10,000 as Bonus to the European employees of the Company.
Dividend for the half-year of \$2 per share, with an added Bonus of \$1 per share.

The net amount of the recommendations will leave a balance of \$227,000 which it is suggested to carry forward.
The total amount of the Debenture Issue is \$1,365,500. The Fifteenth Issue of Debentures amounting to \$20,000, which fell due on April 15, 1902, has been paid off.

A scheme for the development of the Eastern section of the Company's property was decided on in March of this year at an estimated cost of \$1,000,000 and work upon this is in progress. The estimated period of completion is about two years.

Since last half-yearly meeting, the following changes on the Board have taken place: Messrs C. A. Rauch and C. W. Laird resigned, and Messrs Paul Haffner and D. K. Somerville elected. Your Directors regret to have to record the death, on April 16, of Mr. George Rutherford, Managing Director of the Company.

They have also to express their great grief at the death, on June 28 last, at Bechoon, of Mr. Thomas Scott, who, for many years, closely watched over the interests, and successfully guided the course, of this Company.

JOHN ANDERSON, Chairman.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

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4. Saul Phinas Levy, (1) uttering a forged bank note; (2) having forged bank notes in his possession.

We are pleased to see that the remarks we made a few days ago have induced the Sanitary authorities to take action against the conproducers for offering for sale tinned food unfit for human consumption. At the Magistrate's morning, Inspector McEwen brought Quan Yuan, conproducers, No. 6 Colborne Street, before Mr. F. A. Hazeland on a charge of having on his premises for sale 200 articles, comprising milk, butter, salmon, various preserves, coffee and sugar, in a state unfit for human consumption. Mr. E. J. Grist (of Messrs Wilkinson and Grist) appeared for the defence. The case was remanded for a week, and an order was issued for the destruction of the articles seized.

The Kowloon Ricksha Coolie. The Kowloon ricksha coolie is an unmitigated nuisance, and the pity of it is that the Magistracy affords no mitigation of the nuisance. On the 15th inst., about 5 p.m., Mr. P. T. Crisp, Government Inspector of Buildings, had occasion to send for a ricksha to take him to Hunghom. Mr. Crisp lives at Salisbury Avenue, which is on the east side of Timshatui, and he sent his coolie to the Ferry Wharf stand—on the west side of the Peninsula—to get a ricksha. As the coolie did not return with the ricksha, Mr. Crisp went himself to see why and he found the coolie and a ricksha and its puller in Macdonell Road. His coolie informed him that the ricksha puller refused to go with him, and Mr. Crisp accordingly took the puller to Timshatui Police Station and gave him in charge for refusing hire. The ricksha coolie stated in Court that he had just come from Hunghom with a fare, that he was tired, but that he was going with the coolie when Mr. Crisp came up and dragged him to the Police Station. The case was adjourned till to-day, the coolie being allowed out on bail of \$5, and when the case was called to-day, the Magistrate, Mr. J. H. Kemp, discharged the accused. In this connection, it may be well to inform the public that it is a waste of time to bring ricksha coolies before the Court. Should a coolie demand more than his legal fare, use abusive language or refuse to accept hire, the best course to follow is to take the coolie's number and report him to the Captain Superintendent of Police, who, if satisfied that the complaint is bona fide, will see that the coolie is punished adequately. It saves time, worry and language, and is 100 per cent. more effective.

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We are pleased to see that the remarks we made a few days ago have induced the Sanitary authorities to take action against the conproducers for offering for sale tinned food unfit for human consumption. At the Magistrate's morning, Inspector McEwen brought Quan Yuan, conproducers, No. 6 Colborne Street, before Mr. F. A. Hazeland on a charge of having on his premises for sale 200 articles, comprising milk, butter, salmon, various preserves, coffee and sugar, in a state unfit for human consumption. Mr. E. J. Grist (of Messrs Wilkinson and Grist) appeared for the defence. The case was remanded for a week, and an order was issued for the destruction of the articles seized.

The Kowloon Ricksha Coolie. The Kowloon ricksha coolie is an unmitigated nuisance, and the pity of it is that the Magistracy affords no mitigation of the nuisance. On the 15th inst., about 5 p.m., Mr. P. T. Crisp, Government Inspector of Buildings, had occasion to send for a ricksha to take him to Hunghom. Mr. Crisp lives at Salisbury Avenue, which is on the east side of Timshatui, and he sent his coolie to the Ferry Wharf stand—on the west side of the Peninsula—to get a ricksha. As the coolie did not return with the ricksha, Mr. Crisp went himself to see why and he found the coolie and a ricksha and its puller in Macdonell Road. His coolie informed him that the ricksha puller refused to go with him, and Mr. Crisp accordingly took the puller to Timshatui Police Station and gave him in charge for refusing hire. The ricksha coolie stated in Court that he had just come from Hunghom with a fare, that he was tired, but that he was going with the coolie when Mr. Crisp came up and dragged him to the Police Station. The case was adjourned till to-day, the coolie being allowed out on bail of \$5, and when the case was called to-day, the Magistrate, Mr. J. H. Kemp, discharged the accused. In this connection, it may be well to inform the public that it is a waste of time to bring ricksha coolies before the Court. Should a coolie demand more than his legal fare, use abusive language or refuse to accept hire, the best course to follow is to take the coolie's number and report him to the Captain Superintendent of Police, who, if satisfied that the complaint is bona fide, will see that the coolie is punished adequately. It saves time, worry and language, and is 100 per cent. more effective.

BIRTHS.

At Bangkok, on the 2nd September, the wife of FREDERICK SAMSON, of a Daughter.

At Yokohama, on Sept. 4, the wife of F. SCHROEDER, of a Son.

The publication of this issue commenced at 5.20 p.m.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 1902.

EDITORIAL COMMENT.

There has been a good deal of speculation as to the date of the special meeting of shareholders in the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company to consider the new dock scheme. We understand that a circular giving details of the scheme will be issued to the shareholders in a few days, and that the meeting will be held on the 8th December next. The period allowed the Company for coming to a decision on the proposed acquisition of additional land at Hunghom has been extended by the Government. It may be explained that this meeting has nothing to do with the adjourned half-yearly meeting which will be held on the 18th November next to decide on the proposed increase of bonus.

In this time of important changes in the tariff of China the announcement that the Chinese Government, as represented by Prince Ching, have agreed so readily and so generously forthwith to remit all Customs charges on Chinese books passing from one part of the Empire to another will meet with the hearty approval of all classes, Foreigners and Chinese alike. It will astonish nearly everyone who knows nothing of Chinese literature that upon books printed in the Chinese languages in centres like Canton, Shanghai and Hankow, before they have reached their destination, a duty in some cases amounting to seven per cent. has been charged. The question of getting rid of this great anomaly was raised more than ten years ago at the Shanghai General Missionary Conference, but it was felt that the time was not opportune, and so it was allowed to drop. To the Canton Missionary Conference is due the honour of again drawing attention to this strange custom of a nation imposing duty on books printed and circulated in its own territory. The request of the Conference was by no means confined to Christian and scientific literature, but included all Chinese books. The appeal of the Conference was duly forwarded by H.B.M. Consul-General in Canton to Sir James Mackay, the Special Treaty Commissioner in Shanghai, but for some unexplained reason no acknowledgment has been made. The copy of Prince Ching's letter to the United States Minister, Mr. Conger, is an interesting document, and shows the wisdom and advantage of going at once to headquarters. The stages in this business were few and most effective. Consul McWade sent the representations of the Canton Missionary Conference, with his own strong support, to Mr. Conger. Mr. Conger, judging from the short quotation in Prince Ching's letter, wrote an excellent despatch on the subject, backing up all the arguments and adding some of his own. The splendid result is now known to all in the despatches published by us last night. The Canton Missionary Conference with whom lay the initiative and Consul McWade, together with Minister Conger, are all to be heartily congratulated on this splendid achievement, which will, we believe, be the immediate cause of a great increase in the spread of literature and thereby tend to the enlightenment and improvement of the Chinese people.

The Japanese Rice Crop. Returns made by the Department of Agriculture and Commerce on the 26th ult. regarding the probable output of the rice crop show that owing to the unfavourable weather which prevailed a short time ago, and also to the damage done by insects, the crop will probably be 12½ per cent. below that of last year and 6.6 per cent. below an average yield.

Absent-Minded Passengers. The *Japan Advertiser* says:—The *Empress*, which left Yokohama on Monday, carried with her three unintentional passengers whose names did not appear on the list. Two were would-be passengers by the *Doric*, who had gone on board the *Empress* to bid farewell to some friends, and the third was Mr. Oxley, of Brett & Co., who had gone on board with a similar object. These three 'absent-minded beggars,' oblivious to all warning signals, were carried—not ordered—south as far as Kobe. Mr. Oxley returned to Yokohama yesterday by train.

The Water Famine at Singapore. There is very little to add to what has been already said on this matter (says the *Singapore Free Press* of the 9th inst.). The rain still keeps off Singapore Island, although Johore had heavy rain yesterday and vessels from both East and West report rain-storms. The work of cutting off private supplies in bye mains is proceeding rapidly. It causes some little inconvenience to householders who do not keep tanking-ayers, and therefore have no servant to send to the stand-pipes. The Municipality have purchased the boring plant which Messrs. Paterson, Simons had for sale, and propose to utilise it at likely places.

The Difficulty Solved. MAJOR SNOODGRASS—(To his wife) My dear, you really must get my shirts washed and ironed better.
MRS. SNOODGRASS—Well, my love, what can you expect from Chinese washwomen.
MAJOR SNOODGRASS—Why don't you send them to the Steam Laundry?
MRS. SNOODGRASS—Think of the expense, my pet.

MAJOR SNOODGRASS—(Irritably) Oh, dash the expense, send them to the Laundry and let's have something decent to wear.

MR. W. MITCHELL, Chemist, Barry, England, writes: Mrs. Horley, an elderly lady, of 25, Eldon Street, was taken ill about Christmas time, with dyspepsia, followed by diarrhoea and general breakdown; in fact, she could not walk more than a few yards and feared the worst was coming. On the recommendation of friends, she commenced taking Stearns' Wine of Cod Liver Oil and derived so much benefit from the first bottle that she continued, and to-day visited my store and purchased the sixth bottle, having entirely recovered her customary good health. Wholesale from A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd., Hongkong.

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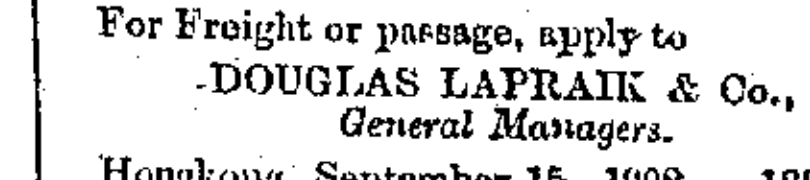
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